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Beneath the sea, where Alice lies,
Are emeralds and pearls;
Pale griefs that fell from out mine eyes
Were borne and laid where Alice lies
By mermaids and by sylphs that rise
Where the green water curls,
Where Alice lies.

No waking is where Alice dreams,
Her bed is cold and bare;
And day and night her wet hair streams,
Forever streams where Alice dreams,
And many a bright sea-jewel gleams
Like life within her hair,
Where Alice dreams.

At the world's heart, where Alice sleeps,
Under the moaning wave,
The griefs that cry, the wind that sweeps,
Are all unheard where Alice sleeps.
No green grows but seaweed that creeps
Athwart the silent grave
Where Alice sleeps.

Deep in my heart, where Alice is,
And shall forever be,
False death has grown his mysteries;
But kisses live as memories—
Remembrance is of every kiss—
Sweet winds from off the sea,
Where Alice is.
—Thomas Tracy Bouve, In The Criterion.

Saved by a Feather

By John H. Whitson.

AMONG those who lost their lives in the great blizzard which swept with such unexampled suddenness and severity over the northwest 12 winters ago, was "Old" Proteau, who was found frozen to death near Fort Bennett.

Proteau—whose given name, I think, was Jean—is said to have been the first white resident of Dakota. He was 93 years of age, and had lived with the Indians since childhood.

As a trapper and hunter he was well known all along the Missouri slope. He acted as scout and interpreter to Gens. Custer, Harney, Sibley and Sully, and bore some 20 arrow-points in his body as evidence of his bravery.

He was buried by the people of his adopted tribe with all the honors due a chief.

Many of the early settlers of the northwest owe their lives to Proteau's kindness. These releases and rescues have given rise to a number of stories, among which the following stands preeminent as a narration of romantic adventure and juvenile heroism:

Long before the awful massacre near the Rosebud, and while the Black Hills were yet almost "an undiscovered country," a government steamer was sent from Yankton up the Missouri river on an exploring and scientific expedition.

The second in command of this expedition was Lieut. Frank Chadwick, of Yankton.

He was accompanied by his nephew, Elmer Chadwick, a boy of 14, who had pleaded so hard to be allowed to go that his parents had at last yielded a reluctant consent.

The Indians along the Missouri were then supposed to be at peace with the whites, and no outbreak was apprehended.

A few days after their departure, however, the Sioux began to show signs of restlessness, and early one morning a shower of bullets and arrows from the river banks pattered around and against the sides of the steamer.

No one was injured, and the steamer continued serenely on its way.

The commander believed the attack to have been made by a party of young "bucks" with an itching for warriors' plumes, and perhaps anxious to distinguish themselves in the eyes of the girls of the tribe by a display of scalps.

All through the day they followed the steamer, firing a shot now and then, and occasionally coming into view on some knoll.

Nothing was seen of them the next morning, and it was thought they had given up the pursuit.

About noon a halt was made to collect fuel for the furnaces.

The river banks at this point were seamed and rocky, and well covered with a scrubby growth of timber. Lieut. Chadwick was not long in discovering some interesting petrified remains along the flinty slopes, and set out on a short tour of inspection, accompanied by his young nephew.

Viewed with our fuller knowledge, his action seems reckless and foolhardy.

But we must remember that it was the opinion of all on the boat that the Indians had long since abandoned their pursuit, and that, therefore, no danger was to be apprehended. Not a sign of an enemy had been seen since early the previous evening, and the steamer had, in the interval, traversed many miles.

The petrifactions were usually found in the center of small stones. These they were forced to break open before they could determine their contents.

In this way many fine specimens were destroyed.

Elmer was as enthusiastic in this search as was his uncle. Coming across a small, irregular, stratified bowlder, he split it with the edge of his hatchet.

The dull-looking stone held a singularly rare and beautiful specimen. It was no less than a petrified feather, in a perfect state of preservation.

The blow of the hatchet had separated the stone into slightly unequal halves. One of the halves contained, in its center, the feather, raised like a cameo; the other, the sunken matrix-like outline."

Elmer was intensely delighted with this find, and looked carefully about for other bowlders similar in appearance. He thought he saw a number some little distance up the slope.

Lieut. Chadwick was several yards in advance. Knowing his uncle would have to return by the way he had gone to reach the boat, Elmer bounded off toward the bowlders that had attracted his attention.

One by one he split them open. None of them contained feathers, but in two or three he found petrified fern leaves.

These he thrust into his pockets; and, anxious to obtain another feather, he wandered farther, carried away by his enthusiasm and forgetful of time.

Suddenly there was a crack of firearms, followed by a series of blood-curdling yells. Elmer recognized the yells as the terrible war cries of the Sioux. They were firing upon the boat, and his heart sank as he realized the extreme peril of his position.

The slope above him was wooded and well-covered with underbrush. He hurried to the top of it. The little steamer had swung out into the stream, and was firing ineffective volleys of musketry at the savages concealed among the rocks along the river bank.

More than a dozen white men, of those who had been engaged in collecting wood, lay dead along the shore; and quite near at hand Elmer saw the lifeless and mutilated body of his uncle.

The Indians, who had evidently just reached the place, had crept upon the unsuspecting men and shot them down.

They had not seen the boy wandering through the undergrowth on the hillsides. The petrified feather had sent him on an eager search which had carried him beyond the line of the Indian advance.

What to do he did not know. The Sioux were between him and the boat which had now headed down stream. The officer in command doubtless believed that all the white people upon the shore were dead, and did not deem it wise to risk the lives of others simply for the recovery of the bodies.

Knowing he would be discovered if he remained in that partially exposed situation, and fearing to attempt to regain the steamer, Elmer crept softly into a deep and dark hollow. Here he arranged the bushes and vines so that they would thoroughly conceal him, and in as natural a manner as possible.

His situation was truly desperate, but amid his own terrors and miseries he found time to drop many a silent tear for the uncle who had been so kind to him, and whom he had so much loved.

That untimely death seemed the most dreadful of all. It had been so sudden, so unexpected. In excellent health and spirits only a few moments ago, and with a soul filled with a deep love of nature; and now that "sensible, warm motion" gone, and the generous heart stilled forever! The thought was agonizing, maddening.

The puffing of the steamer grew fainter and fainter, until it could no longer be heard, and the trail of smoke gradually faded from the sky.

Then Elmer realized that he was abandoned in the Indian country, hundreds of miles from Yankton, and with the intervening distance filled with hostile savages.

The commander of the expedition, alarmed by the unexpected and bloodthirsty hostility of the Sioux, and intimidated by the loss of so many brave men, had given up the contemplated exploration and set out on the return trip to Yankton.

Elmer remained in the hollow until the stars came out in the sky, fearing to stir before that time. Even then he was not at all sure that his first movements would not be greeted by the flashing of a tomahawk.

Nothing came to his ears except the "audible silence" of the wilderness, the hum of insects and the low soughing of the wind through the trees.

He climbed the bluff and looked down upon the river, with its dark fringe of bushes.

Occasionally a star gleamed in its mirrorlike bosom, and some night bird called from the tree boughs.

Convinced that the Sioux had departed, he crept down to the river's brink and drank deeply.

He had no means of satisfying his hunger, and set off carefully down the river, chewing upon some bark and clutching the hatchet in his hand to be ready for an emergency.

All night long he traveled on in this way, and when morning came was so faint and weak he could scarcely drag his weary body to a place of concealment.

He was dropping into an unsatisfying sleep when he heard footsteps, and a brown hand parted the bushes and a pair of dark eyes peered in at him.

He was startled and filled with fear; but when the dark eyes lighted with a kindly smile his courage returned. No man with murder in his heart could smile like that.

"You be travel a long way from home and in a bad country!"

The words were spoken with a peculiar accent impossible to convey in print, and the owner of the dark and kindly eyes stepped within the circle of bushes.

Elmer saw before him an old man with snow-white hair and a face wrinkled and brown like parchment. He was dressed in Indian fashion, and carried in his right hand a heavy rifle.

"I see trail go this way, that, and I foller um," continued the strange-looking individual. "Trail of little white boy, that walk long way and tired. Sioux come bum-by and tek little white boy scalp, mebbe. White men go up river on fire boat that scare game all out country. Sioux ver' much mad. I s'all hide pappoose trail."

Elmer was delighted at hearing the sound of a friendly voice, though it must be confessed he did not fancy being called a pappoose.

He was about to reply to the speech, when the old man plunged suddenly through the bushes and disappeared.

He returned a little later and informed Elmer that he had obliterated the trail so the Sioux could not follow it, should they chance to come across it further up the river.

"What white boy's name?" he asked, fishing some jerked meat out of a pouch that hung at his side.

He handed the meat to Elmer, who devoured it greedily, while he told his name and how he came to be in his present situation.

The old man listened with kindling eye.

"Good!" he replied. "Proteau know father of white pappoose. Father good man. Big chief at Yankton. Buy peltry sometime. Always treat Proteau well. We see bum-by what can do."

"Oh, can you take me to my home in Yankton?" Elmer asked, tremulously, the tears coming into his eyes. "Father, I am sure, will pay you well for your trouble."

"See what can do bum-by," said the old man. "Boy must have sleep. Proteau get canoe and come again at night. Boy must stay here till then; if walk round, Sioux find trail, and—"

He ended with a significant clucking sound, and flourished an imaginary scalping knife.

Satisfied by the look of terror on Elmer's face that his warning would be heeded, he tossed some jerked meat upon the ground, parted the bushes, and vanished.

Elmer did not see him again until after nightfall. Then he glided into the boy's place of concealment like a shadow.

"Come!" he said, and without further ceremony turned his face toward the river.

Elmer grasped his hatchet, felt in his pocket to see that his specimens—and especially the highly-prized feather—were still there, and hurried after his singular guide.

On reaching the river Proteau drew a canoe from beneath the shadows of a clump of willows.

Into this he motioned Elmer, then seated himself in the stern and took up a light, broad-bladed paddle.

"Eat!" he commanded, pointing to some jerked meat lying in the bottom of the canoe.

Elmer was not slow in availing himself of the invitation.

"There cup!" pointing to a polished buffalo horn, as he saw the boy glance wistfully at the water.

Proteau had deposited some blankets and several heavy rolls of furs in the canoe, and when Elmer grew tired and sleepy watching the gliding shadows along the shore he made him lie down upon the blankets and pull some of the furs over him for a covering.

All night long Proteau sat in the stern of the canoe, his keen eyes scanning the shores, his face as changeless as bronze, and the paddle rising and falling with the regularity of clockwork.

Just before day Elmer awoke and asked that he might be allowed to take his turn at the paddle.

"Mek too much noise!" was the sagacious answer. "Sioux got sharp ear. Hear the splash, mebbe."

As the light increased Proteau began to watch carefully for some secure hiding place into which he might run the canoe. None appeared, and he paddled on until almost sunrise.

This came near resulting disastrously, for in rounding a point he saw the smoke of an Indian fire just ahead.

Quick as a flash he seized Elmer by the collar, pushed him prostrate into the bottom of the canoe, threw a blanket over him and piled upon it a lot of the furs.

"Sioux!" he said, in explanation.

And Elmer hugged the bottom of the boat, although half smothered by the blanket and furs.

The concealment was effected none too soon, for the canoe was sighted only a little later by the sharp-eyed savages.

When he saw that he was discovered Proteau paddled boldly to shore, tied up the canoe and entered into friendly conversation with them.

In answer to their inquiries he informed them that he was on his way to Yankton to dispose of some peltry, and that he thought all the white men not slain had escaped down the river on the steamer.

The conversation, well spiced with compliments, lasted a full half hour, all of which time Elmer lay trembling under the furs, unable to comprehend a word and in constant fear of discovery.

Finally Proteau shoved the canoe out into the current, took his usual position in the stern and paddled with slow deliberation and apparent unconcern down the stream.

When well out of sight of the encampment he shot the canoe into a labyrinth of willows and removed from Elmer the suffocating coverings.

"Sioux think he ver' smart!" was his only comment. Then he filled the buffalo horn with water, took some venison from the pouch and served breakfast.

The remainder of the journey was made without incident. Night after night Proteau propelled the canoe down the rapid current. Day after day was passed in some labyrinthine retreat.

When they reached Yankton Elmer was received by his parents as one risen from the dead, for the commander of the expedition had placed his name on the list of those lost in conflict with the Sioux.

Proteau not only sold his furs to marked advantage, but was handsomely rewarded by Mr. Chadwick for the rescue of his son.

Elmer still retains the specimens obtained upon that eventful trip. Especially does he prize the little stratified bowlder containing the feather, the finding of which may be said to have saved his life.—Golden Days.

BEHIND THE FOOTLIGHTS.

May Irwin has purchased some property in New York city, for which she paid $40,000.

Jean de Reszke, according to Dr. Holbrook Curtis, who examined him in Paris recently, is now in as excellent voice as ever, the rumors of his injured vocal chords being quite baseless.

May Yohe, by latest account, will star this season in the "Little Duchess," and not in "The Gay Grisette." Both attractions will be put forth by A. H. Chamberlyn.

J. M. Barrie's new play is now under rehearsal at the Garrick theater, London. The drama—It is a much more serious piece than Mr. Barrie has hitherto written—is in four acts and the title has not yet officially transpired.

Mascagni's new opera, "Maschere," was recently performed before a large number of musicians in the drawing-room of Sig. Felice Robert, of Rome. The various parts were sung by professional vocalists and the accompaniments were played on a piano. It has transpired that in the music for his latest opera Mascagni has to a considerable extent adopted the manner of the last century; indeed, it is affirmed that the overture is almost Mozartian in style. Among the most attractive numbers, a "pavane" after the seventeenth century model, a "tarantella," two vocal quartets and a march are mentioned. Some of the characters of old Italian pantomime figure in Mascagni's new comic opera, but the love interest is said to be a strong feature.

From the Diary of a Wife.

I am completely disheartened.

To-night I entered the parlor suddenly and found my husband lying on one of my lovely new sofa cushions.

How impossible it is for a woman to make a home in the true sense when she is married to such an insensate man!

Sometimes I feel that I would be glad to die.—Detroit Journal.

WHY GO TO COLLEGE.

[A symposium by college presidents, in Success.]

To make one more of a man.—James B. Angell, president of the University of Michigan.

It multiplies a hundredfold his chances of success.—Henry Wade Rogers, President of Northwestern University.

For the same reason that crude ores should be assayed—to discover and assay their qualities.—W. H. Payne, Chancellor of the University of Nashville.

Because the fuller and larger you can make life in these early years, the better it must be for the future.—James M. Taylor, President of Vassar College.

To the end that he may be safely aggressive among educated people, and become fitted for leadership in affairs.—Andrew S. Draper, President of the University of Illinois.

In order that the young man may discover what his powers are, and learn to use them for his own good and the good of others.—Charles W. Eliot, President of Harvard University.

Such an education is the best means of developing thought power in a young man, and making him a thinking man of cultured mind.—Timothy Dwight, Late President of Yale University.

Because, in taking a college course, one forms an acquaintance with men, learns how to deal with them, and is, for this reason, more likely to succeed.—Charles Kendall Adams, University of Wisconsin.

Because a man should have a higher aim in life than mere money-getting, or so-called success; because a man should try to make the most of himself.—Francis L. Patton, President of Princeton University.

Such an education will act on an average intellect like a fertilizer on a field of average fertility. It makes one more of a man. This is the chief value of all education.—Jacob Gould Schurman, President of Cornell University.

For the reason that the advance of world-knowledge is so widespread that, in order to hold one's own, to be the best, and to do the best, it is necessary to get just as much education as possible.—William R. Harper, President of the University of Chicago.

The whole of your life has been spent in your own company, and only the educated man is good company to himself. Only the man who is trained to help himself can be helpful to others.—David Starr Jordan, President of Leland Stanford University.

Such an education ought to give to a man perspective, by enabling him to estimate the present in the light of the past. It ought to strengthen his mind by exercising and disciplining his powers; and it ought to broaden his outlook, by enabling him to know something, at least, of many branches of knowledge.—Seth Low, President of Columbia University.

RELIGION AND EDUCATION.

The Russian church has a rule against the publication of the Old Testament without the Apocrypha.

The entire number of pupils in all schools, public and private, last year in this country was 16,687,643, out of an estimated population of 72,737,100. There are 101,058 young men and women in the universities and colleges, 54,231 in schools of law, medicine and theology, 67,538 in normal schools, 70,950 in business schools, 23,501 in reform schools, 97,737 in kindergartens.

The jewels in possession of the Greek church are worth more than the collections of all the crowned heads of Europe. The church has been accumulating these treasures for many years. The figures and pictures, as well as the holy books in the Greek churches, are studded with gems of immense value, and the church plate is so costly that it is impossible to estimate its value.

POPULAR SCIENCE.

The newest thing in medical science is the "isolation cure."

Ants can stand extremes of heat and cold. Forty-eight hours' exposure to frost will not kill them, and one sort has been observed to build its nest in chinks in a blacksmith's forge.

The work of making topographic maps of the United States, which has been carried on for a number of years by the United States geological survey, is progressing steadily, if slowly. During the present year it is expected that topographic operations will be carried on over an area of 40,000 square miles. This territory is included in 27 different states and is distributed through about 84 different quadrangles, as the space covered by each map is termed.

NOTES FOR WOMEN.

The English tobacco trade employs to-day 121 women to every 100 men.

One hundred and fifty women writers dined together recently in London.

One of the oldest women's clubs in London has closed its doors owing to the little interest its members feel in its continuance.

Within the last 20 years the number of American and English women physicians in Asiatic countries has increased from 20 to 220.

THINGS WORTH KNOWING.

The average wealth per inhabitant in the United States is $1,050.

Lemon trees bear much more regularly and heavily than orange trees.

There are in this country between 5,500,000 and 6,000,000 separate farms.

Rice passed through the coffee-mill to remove the flavor of coffee before spices are ground is said to be better than bread crumbs for the same purpose.

THE HOMELY SUNFLOWER.

It is said that the sunflower is valuable for keeping off malarial fevers.

The seeds are splendid food for poultry, increasing the number of eggs.

The cultivation of the sunflower is largely carried on in Russia, India, China, Germany and Italy, and forms a profitable industry.

Every bushel of seed yields one gallon of oil, and this when purified is as good as almond or olive oil. It is also used for making [illegible]

SUPERSTITIONS OF BARBERS.

There is quite as much good as bad luck to be encountered.

It is considered very bad luck to see a hunchback in the mirror standing or passing back of one. This omen is said to foretell a death in the family.

You cannot be too careful about having your chin shaved before the mustache. If you persist in having the upper lip shaved first you will never, it is said, be able to raise a good beard.

A very bod omen is to have the towel about the neck drop out before one is shaved. This catastrophe indicates that one will be cut soon by a barber's carelessness.

Very good luck is invited by the man who has his shoes polished at the same time he is being shaved. It may be due partly to this superstition that this time-saving device is becoming popular.

It is a very common belief that for a barber to lather the face with a single up stroke of the brush inevitably brings bad luck. Many people will sharply abuse a barber who makes this mistake.

To be shaved by a red-headed barber, is believed by many to be a sure cure for rheumatism. There are several red-headed barbers in New York who have kept customers for a long time on the strength of this superstition.

It is comforting to remember tht to be accidentally cut twice on the same side of the face in one shaving will insure good luck for some time. Should this be done intentionally, however, the charm is completely lost.

It is well to remember that if one continually sits with legs crossed in the barber shop the hair is likely to come out early in life, making a man prematurely bald. The habit, which is a common one, should therefore be reformed before it is too late.

A very dangerous practice is the not common one of using several razors for a single shave. Two razors are allowable, but to use more than two even for a moment is said to bring very bad luck. A barber will sometimes try a razor, and if he does not find it sharp enough pick up another and change to a third in finishing.

NOTES FROM ABROAD.

China exports 11,000,000 fans yearly.

About 88 per cent. of the West Indian cyclones occur in August, September and October.

The first real American hotel in England will be located adjoining the new Waterloo railway station, London. It will be entirely of steel construction.

The report of the geological surveyors appointed by the British government declares that reefs have been discovered in two localities in Burmah, containing payable gold.

A trans-Atlantic steamer, carrying what is called "a full European mail," usually brings 200,000 letters and 300 sacks of newspapers for New York city, to say nothing of the 500 and odd sacks for other places.

The American invasion of London has this year established a new record. A careful analysis of passenger lists of the various Atlantic companies shows that since the beginning of the year more than 80,000 visitors from the United States have reached that city.

This country sends a large number of British flags every year to England and Canada. A large shipment of American made English ensigns, containing the pictures of the queen, Lord Roberts and the prince of Wales, was quickly sold on the streets of London.

IN OUR OWN LAND.

The farms of Kansas yield this year over $160 to every man, woman and child in the state.

Automobiles have been tried at Hartford, Conn., for collecting mail. The autos are three-wheeled and each covers a route of 15 miles a day.

A forest fire at Colebrook, a mountain hamlet near New Haven, Conn., has driven hundreds of rattlesnakes down into the lowlands and they are biting and poisoning cattle. The extent of the reptile exodus from the woods can be pictured from the fact that one man killed and picked up 126 rattlers in one day. Some of them are very old.

Two conductors and 16 brakemen on the Dakota division of the Northern Pacific railway have been discharged for accepting cash fares from hoboes for riding on trains. The evidence, says the Railway and Engineering Review, was secured by a detective, who impersonated a hobo and was equipped with a button camera. He took snapshots just as he handed over the money to the railroad men.

PEOPLE OF NOTE.

Miss Grace McKinley, a niece of the president, has been installed as teacher at the Middleton (Conn.) high school. The young woman, who was graduated at Mount Holyoke in 1899, is said to be ambitious of educational honors.

There has not been a New York speaker of the house of representatives for 75 years. The last New York member to hold that office was John W. Taylor, who served from 1825 to 1827. There have been democratic speakers from four states since the close of the war—Indiana, Pennsylvania, Kentucky and Georgia.

BITS FROM GERMANY.

Since 1894 nearly 350 men living in Bremerhaven, Germany, have lost their lives by the wrecking or burning of ships.

All British mail contracts are submitted to public competition, each contract being awarded to the lowest responsible bidder of any nationality.

One Monday morning little three-year-old Edith volunteered to superintend the family washing. When Janes put the clothes on to boil the small overseer gave one look of open-eyed astonishment, then ran to her mother and excitedly exclaimed: "Oh, mamma! Jane's cooking the clothes for dinner!"

For hoary years should not make sad
Thy life, though Springtime dear
Be gone with [illegible] splendor
So, [illegible]
Lo[illegible]

The Middletown T[illegible]cript

Trains Leave Middletown[illegible]llows:
North Bound—3.30, 7.50, 9.20 [illegible] a. m.; 4.16 and 6.02 p. m.
South Bound—12.54, 9.11 and [illegible] m.; 3.54, 5.18 and 7.51 p. m.

Mails Close as Fol[illegible]
Going North—7.30 a. m , 10.0[illegible], 3.55 and 5.40 p. m.
Going South—8.50 a. m., 5.10 [illegible]
For Odessa—9.10 a. m., 11 40 [illegible] 5.30 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton, Earl[illegible] and Sassafras—9.15 a. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., OCTO[illegible]0, 1900.

Local Ne[illegible]

Sauer Kraut is ripe.

Love, with some girls, is [illegible]t.

Armstrong's meats are best in town—that is what his customers say.

Most men immagine they will see better days.

WANTED—Correspondent in all of our sister towns for THE TRANSCRIPT.

Get registered to-day or you will loose your vote.

The finest mackeral in town at Armstrong's. All sizes.

Don't forget to see the Rule Band, next Monday at noon, it is great

The Matinee Euchre Club meets with Mrs Alex. M. Brown next Tuesday afternoon at 2-30 oclock.

Mr. Frank C. West will move his family to Wilmington next Tuesday. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. West regret their departure from our midst.

Don't condemn a man because of his political belief. We are all American enough to form our own opinions and have our likes and dislikes.

DR. W. E. BARNARD, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.

Secure your tickets now for "Down on the Farm" don't wait, also watch for the novel street parade at noon, remember "Down on the Farm" is here for one night only.

Have you examined my stock of 100 selections of Fall and Winter Millinery? if not would be pleased to have you do so before buying.

MISS E. F. INGRAM.

Thos. E. Hurn, representing Wanamaker & Brown, the well-known clothing firm at 6th and Market streets, Philadelphia, has a full line of samples of latest patterns in men's clothing.

A steam laundry is being placed in the shirt factory this week. We are informed the management propose to replace the old boiler with a larger one and make many other improvements to the plant.

We have now in our Warehouse an assortment of different brands of Fertilizer for seeding wheat, to supply late buyers.

JESSE L. SHEPHERD,
S. M. REYNOLDS, Agt.

A school teacher in a nearby town recently asked his pupils the definition of the word "dry dock." Imagine his surprise when one of the youngster answered: "It is a [illegible]or going after a drink."

Strayed to my p[illegible]ses the first of the week two rabbit [illegible] The owner can have same by pro[illegible] property and paying charges.

W. D. EVANS,
Middletown, Del.

Republicans w[illegible]ave not registered shou'd make thei[illegible]angements to do so to-day. Every v[illegible] to count this year an l Delaware ou[illegible] be placed in the Republican colu[illegible] by a handsome plurality.

Sassafras M. E.[illegible]urch, Golt's charge, Rev. Daniel Wilso[illegible] pastor, which has been closed for the past six or seven weeks, undergoing a thorough renovation, was reopened Sunday last with appropriate exercises.

Bethesda Epworth League meets every Sunday evening in the lecture room of Bethesda M. E. Church, at 6.45 o'clock. The topic for next Sunday evening is: "Our Stewardship" Luke 12:42-48. Miss Lena Staats leader, A good attendance is desired.

WANTED.—Local or traveling salesman, salary or commission, to handle our Oils, Greases, Petrolatum, Paints and White Lead. Goods guaranteed. Prices low. Good freight rates and prompt delivery. Best season of the year for soliciting oil trade.

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Main Office and Refinery, Coraopolis Pa.

Z. T. Bradley & Son have just completed extensive improvements to the old James Le Count farm, near Mt. Pleasant, now the property of the Wilmington Trust Co. The improvements consist of a new barn, 28 by 34 feet, new granery, 26 by 30 feet, new porch and other improvements to the dwelling.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending Sept. 27th, 1900: Ladies—Miss Rebecca Miel, Mrs. Mary Cashman. Gentlemen—George Dignan, James T. Reed, Charles H. Robinson, G. W. Valenger.

Mrs. F. J. Pennington was tendered a pleasant surprise Wednesday evening, at her home near Odessa, it being her birthday. Quite a number of Middletown people were present, and the evening was one much enjoyed by all present. Refreshments were served at a late hour.

Don't fail to read DeValinger's ad. in another column of this issue.

Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church meets Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "Our Stewardship." Luke 12:42-48. Miss Elizabeth Hall Leader. The public is cordially invited.

You cannot afford to miss the great rural drama "Down on the Farm" next Monday evening at the Opera House.

Capt. Walter Gordon, who was in command of the First Delaware Regiment when it was mustered out of service at Camp Meade, and who has been spending the past few weeks with friends in this county, sailed on Tuesday for the Philippines. Capt. Gordon made many friends in Middletown while the regiment was at Camp Tunnell.

The addition of every working man and his family to a community means, on an average, of $500 a year more business to that community. Likewise, every family moving away takes the same amount out of its trade. Then is it not policy for business men to encourage and foster enterprise giving employment to men?

WANTED.—Fresh eggs at Armstrong's for cash.

For cheap groceries go to the reduced grocery. Coal-oil 10c, coffee 10c best country lard 10c, fine mackeral 10c and other things in proportion. I make this reduction for benefit of Cash Customers.

MISS E. F. INGRAM.

One of the leading belles of Kent county desires to make and election bet with some young gentleman, who will cast his first vote for president this fall, for Wm. J. Bryan. The terms of the bet are as follows: If Bryan is elected president she is to marry the young man. If McKinley is elected the aforesaid young man is to marry her.

Great Excitement prevailed at the conclusion of the circus performance given by the Rhoda Royal Shows at Georgetown Tuesday night. The audience had just been dismissed and was leaving the main tent, when the animal tent was blown down and took fire from the lights beneath it. Many persons were under the tent when it fell, but fortunately all escaped without injury. The animals and most of the horses had been removed before the accident, otherwise much more damage would have been done. The entire tent was consumed, and had the wind been blowing in the opposite direction the main audience tent could not have been saved from destruction. The fire caused little delay and the circus showed here both afternoon and evening to large audiences yesterday.

Mr. Charles Manley, a delineator of Yankee character of marked ability, will present his highly successful comedy-drama, "Down on the Farm," at the Opera House Monday evening, Oct 22d.

Although the star and play are new to the theatre-goers of this city, both are recognized as a standard attraction in the field of legitimate dramatic art. "Down on the Farm" is described as one of the most delightfully fascinating plays ever produced with the ever attractive theme of New England country life for its subject. It has often been compared by prominent critics with the well-known success. "The Old Homestead." The story is one of strong heart interest its pathos and humor are so skilfully intermingled that it appeals to the artistic sense of every auditor, while the misfortunes that follow the kind-hearted and honest old famer, Seth Huckins, that character that Mr. Manley so capably portrays, provokes the sympathy of all who witness the unfolding of the touching story.

The company supporting Mr. Manley this season is a comprehensive one, and embodies the best talent. Each member has been selected with an especial care to his adaptability to the part assigned him. A full band and orchestra is carried with this company. Reserved seats are now on sale for the above engagement.

J. A. Chapman Asst. Supt. Railway Mail Service of Washington D. C., was here this week in connection with the letting of the star route mail service for the State of Delaware for the term of four years from July first 1901. There are some new features in the present advertisement, which will no doubt be appreciated by our people, namely—Bidding will be confined to men who live in or near the different routes and carriers will be required to deliver mail into individual boxes along the routes. A man may bid on two or more routes and successful bidders will be permitted to sublet to local men. Bids will be received at the Department up to December 4th, 1900. Blank bids and further information may be obtained from postmasters at either ends of routs or the Second Assistant Postmaster General Washington, D. C. While it is desired to pay fair prices for service bidders are cautioned againss excessive bids. The following is a list of routes in this county.

Number	Terminal Points	Present Pay
12139	Odessa to Middletown	$173.00
13106	Earleville to "	216.80
12147	Wilmington to Henry Clay	177.00
12140	McDonough to Mt Pleasant	161.00
13105	Townpoint to "	239.80
12141	Kirkwood to St Georges	173.00
12145	Stanton to Christiana	210.00
12143	Glasgow to Porter	236.00
12148	Carterville to Greenville	95.00
12149	Talleyville to Rockland	77.00
12150	Brandywine to Granogue	105.00

PENINSULA NOTES

Thieves entered the store of C. W. Barger, at Dover, on Friday night and stole $40 worth of goods.

The meeting of the Kent County Pomona Grange has been postponed until Thursday, November 1st.

Two small sons of Daniel Greeley, of Milford, accidentally shot themselves on Saturday, and are under a doctor's care.

Burglars broke into the store of David T. Stroup, ot Atlantic, Monday evening, and obtained nearly one-half of his entire stock.

Lewes has organized a brass band and some of the people who are compelled to listen to the boys practicing are contemplating suicide.

During the season just ended, the boat on the Lewes and Cape May route carried 16,000 passengers and large quantities of frieght and vegetables.

Mrs. Lida M. Greenwell, wife of W. H. Greenwell, of Kenton, died at her husband's residence in that town Wednesday morning after a long illness.

John Mason, who has been serving a three years term in the county jail at Georgetown for assaulting his wife with intent to commit murder, was released last week, his time having expired.

Fire broke out shortly before 2 o'clock Monday afternoon in the laundry of the Delaware State Hospital for the Insane, at Farnhurst. There was a greart deal of excitement for a time, but the blaze was soon extinguished and the damage was slight.

While playing at the foot of Ninth street early Monday evening, Joseph, the 6-years-old son of John Vendt, of No. 823 Locust street, was drowned in the Brandywine, Wilmington. The boy was playing near the water when he dropped a basket he was carrying overboard. He took off his clothes to get it and fell into deep water and was drowned.

William Maddox, of Laurel, who was confined in jail in Georgetown on account of his not being able to secure bond for his good behavior, escaped from that institution last Monday. It was raining hard at the time and Maddox with a trusted prisoner had been sent to do some work around the stable. He was left alone a few minutes and skipped for parts unknown.

PERSONALITIES

Miss Stella Jones has returned to Philadelphia.

Mr. James H. Burrows was in Laurel Saturday.

Harry Shapely, of Smyrna, was in town Monday.

Mr. J. Polk Racine, of Elkton, paid us a call on Monday.

Mrs. William Green spent Thursday with Elkton friends.

Mrs. James A. Bradley spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Miss Eva Meredith, of Clayton, is visiting relatives near town.

Mr. Richard Hawkins, of Clayton, was in town Saturday.

Mrs. Pharo, of Philadelphia, is visiting her parents near town.

Mrs. J. S. Crouch spent several days of this week in Wilmington.

Mrs. Demsey, of New Port, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Albert Price.

Mr. James Crossland left for his home in Wilmington last Saturday.

Mrs. V.L. Culbertson, of Wilmington, was a Middletown visitor Sunday.

Miss Edna Cleaver, of Mt. Pleasant, spent Sunday with Miss Kate Droll.

Mr. D. W. Wilson, of Elkton, was the guest of his parents here this week.

Cecil McCleary has accepted a position with Charles H. Hamilton, at Smyrna.

Messrs. F. L. Cates and N. S. Reese were visitors to the Quaker City Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. A. Ritchie, and little daughter are vtsiting relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. R. Lawrence Taylor left for Kellar's Virginia the latter part of last week.

Messrs. W. H. S. Lewis and Walter Taylor were Wilmington visitors on Tuesday.

Rev. Benjamin Price, of Elkton, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Cox on Sunday.

Mr. Albert P. Alexander, of Wilmington, was the guest of Middletown friends on Monday.

Mrs. A. M. Brown and Miss Beasie Reynolds spent several days of this week in Philadelphia.

Miss. Sybella Jones attended the Epworth League Convention held at Centreville, Md., this week.

Miss Helen Morgan who has been visiting Mrs. Joshua Clayton for some time left on Monday for California.

Elwood Shipley has returned to his home in Philadelphfa, after several weeks visit with his sister, Mrs. Charles A. Ritchie.

DELAWARE CITY

Dr. M. M. Ogle spent Thursday in New Castle.

Mrs. Eliza Ogle, of Wilmington, was in town on Tuesday.

Mrs. Edmundsum has returned from a visit in New York city.

Mrs. Lena Linn spent Wednesday and Thursday in Wilmington.

Miss Cassie Newton, of Little Rock, Ark., is visiting Miss Emma Clark.

Mrs. C. A. Ogle is writing her neice Mrs. F. Eagle in New Castle.

Miss Alice Foard has returned from a visit near Valley Forge, Pa.

Mrs. Mary J. Postle, of New Castle, visited in town on Wednesday.

Mrs. E. Reybold and Mrs. W. Reybold spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Thursday being St. Luke's day services were held in the Episcopal Church.

Miss Martha Riley, of Philadelphia, visited Mrs. Matthew Biggs last week.

Four new cruisers passed through the canal on Sunday south to patrol the Cuban waters.

Mrs. E. Challenger and Miss Hattie Challenger of New Castle visited friends in town on Monday.

Jacques de L. Lafitte, Ist Lieutenant of Infantry has been ordered to Governor's Island New York for promotion.

The trolleys bring a great many visitors to the town, as the novelty of the ride through the country has not worn off.

Charles Calwell was injured a few days ago by a chain striking him on the head while employed on a dredge at the jetty.

Charles Pancoast's factory has closed for the season—the tomato season but will as usual put up mincemeat, of fine quality.

Several of our citizens will attend the reception of the First Delaware Regiment to be held in Wilmington on Saturday the 20th.

The dwelling house at the pivot bridge is to be put in complete order for the occupancy of the new incumbent Mr. George Price.

The Woman's Home Mission Society met in the lecture room of the Presbyterian Church on Wednesday evening after prayermeeting.

Mrs. J. A. Vreeland, Mrs. L. H. Moore and Mrs. Robert C. Wiley of Philadelphia, spent Wednesday with the mother of the two elder ladies.

Miss Hunter and the Misses Evergam Lave returned from a summer sojourn at Ocean Grove and will go to Maryland to visit Mr. Everengam.

The men employed on the jetty will be obliged to remain there at night now the days are growing shorter and too much time is consumed going and coming. A shanty 50 feet long is being erected there for their accommodation.

They Used Their Pistols

Conductors on the Delaware Railroad are finding disorderly characters too numerous. The third shooting affray in two months occured one morning last week when the Norkfolk express was on its way up the road. Four negroes were seen on the front end of the baggage car as the train was to leave Seaford. No sooner had they been removed when they began the use of pistols, but their aim was bad and no one was hurt. Later Detective Hutchins arrested the men and lodged them in jail.

Sad News

Michael Glynn, of No. 814 Spruce street, Wilmington, has received a letter from India announcing the death of his son, Michael Glynn, Jr., aged 30 years a corporal in Her Majesty's crack regiment, the Connought Rangers, on September 11. Mr. Glynn was formerly a well-known young man in Wilmington and was a member of the Delaware National Guard.

TOWNSEND NEWS BUDGET

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Hayman visited Wilmington on Saturday.

Miss Katie Hutchison has returned from a visit to Clayton friends.

Mrs. Charles Hubbard has been visiting relatiaes and friends in Newark.

Mr. Sereck S. Wilson has been spending several days in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Lucy Geary, of Atlantic City, is the guest of her sister Mrs. Susan Money.

Prof. C. W. Mason and bride, of Centreville, spent Wednesday in this part of Delaware.

Miss Ethel Maloney entertained a company of her young friends on Monday evening.

Miss Pearl Atkerson, a most accomplished young lady of Dover, has been visiting here.

Mrs. William Money and daughter Miss Mary, have been visiting friends in Wilmington.

Mrs. Benjamin Lockerman is the guest of ner daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Leach, at New Castle.

Mr. William Daniels continues in very poor health, indeed, his friends are very solicitous about his condition.

Mrs. Annie Maloney and daughter Miss Ethel, have returned from an enjoyable visit, to the Catskill Mountains

Miss Beluah Naylor has arrived home from Wilmington, where she spent several weeks enjoyably among friends.

The Ladies Aid Society of Union M. E. Church, was entertained at the home of Mrs. Catherine Hutchinson on Wednesday evening.

Miss Alice Watts, who is a nurse at the Delaware State Hospital, spent Wednesday in this section. Her many friends here were very glad to see her again in their midst.

Farmers are very busy just at this time, gathering their crops, which seem to be of good quality. It is a common sight to see the farm hands all busily engaged in their work, as one travels the public highway.

The writer will not fail to mention the death of old aunt "Becky Davis," colored, near Union church, on Monday. She was a kind, good, woman and was well respected by the white people of her acquaintance.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Todd and daughter Miss Mary have returned from Philadelphia, whither they were called to attend the funeral of Mr. Todd's mother whose demise occured in the early part of last week, after a brief illness. She was well advanced in life, being 80 years of age, and her kind attentive disposition won for her friends throughout her life.

The genial Francis Lattomus who is the Republican candidate for County Commissioner in the fifth district for his election, which his many friends say he will surely secure when the day of the contest appears is making a strong fight Mr. Lattomus, if elected, promises several much needed reforms of that office, and his candidacy is attracting much attention from the voters throuahout the district. The sentiment is indeed very strong that the ticket named by the Republicans, and which carries able men for all the various offices is one of the best that has ever been put before the voters for their support. Man for man, the ticket is representative of the several districts, and it is composed of men who could be expected to perform the duties of the respective offices for which they have been nominated with fidelity and with a conscientious regard for the interests of the people. All of these men, are especially deserving just at this time, and the writer will do all in his power, to elect them.

CECILTON SIFTINGS

Chestnuts are ripe.

November the 6th is election day.

Dr. R. M. Black visited friends in Baltimore last week.

Rev. W. A. Coale was in town on Tuesday of this week.

Miss Emma Johns is visiting her mother near Sassafras.

Miss Rena Price is spending the week at her cousin's Mr. W. B. Davis.

Miss Nellie Lusby spent Thursday with her brother James, near town.

Mrs. George R. Richards has improved her house by putting on a new roof.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rowan were in Middletown on Tuesday of this week.

Miss Lida Millikin is spending some weeks in Wilmington and Philadelphia.

Little Miss Ada Davis is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. Edgar J. Davis.

Miss Clara Nickerson is very sick at her home near town with typhoid fever.

Mrs. W. B. Davis and Miss Rena Price were in Sassafras with friends on Tuesday.

Mrs. Thomas Pearce is still confined to her bed but much better than at our last writing.

Mr. Arthur Stone is spending a week with his aunt, Mrs. Alice Robinson, near Earleville.

Mr. Allie Price is home again, having had a very pleasant visit with Philadelphia friends.

Miss Frances Griffith spent from Friday until Monday with her friend, Miss Myrtle Templeman.

Mrs. William H. Freeman with her daughter Alice, spent Thursday of last week in Wilmington.

Mrs. Lida Morris has returned home after having a pleasant visit with her children in Wilmington, Del.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson have returned home after having a pleasant visit with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. Andrew Wilson has announced his marriage to Miss Jarman, of Chesterville, to take place on Thursday, November 15th.

Mrs. Warner Geary, of near Earleville, spent a few days this week with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. James Smith.

Mrs. Emma V. Wills returned home on Saturday from Philadelphia, where she has been spending some weeks with her nephews.

The friends of W. H. Pearce heard with regret of his having sold his home where he now lives to J. Hyland Price, who takes possession at New Years, and Mr. Pearce will go on his farm in Elk Neck about two miles from Elkton.

Little Robbie Brown pulled a can of concentrated lye over on himself and burned his lips very badly, but his mother very soon had him relieved by calling in Dr. R. Markley Black, and the little fellow is doing very nicely at this writing.

ODESSA HAPPENINGS

Miss Nellie Manlove, of Warwick, has been visiting her cousin, Miss Grace Vinyard.

Miss Ethel Brady spent several days last week with her sister, Mrs. F. B. Watkins.

Mrs. L. V. Aspril and mother Mrs. Williams spent several days last week in Philadelphia.

Mrs. George L. Townsend is at home after having spent some time with relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. William Curtis and family, of Newark, are spending some time with her father, Mr. D. W. Corbit.

Mrs. Joseph H. Enos has returned from Wilmington, where she attended the convention of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Mrs. E. N. Moore met with a serious accident last Thursday. She fell breaking her wrist. At last reports she was recovering rapidly.

Misses Anna Morgan, Ethel Mailly, May Enos, Martha Townsend and Mr. and Mrs. Hurst, are attending the Epworth League Convention at Centreville, Md.

The officers of the Odessa Auxiliary were greatly gratified by the way in which the people responded to the wants of the Delaware Hospital. Donations sufficient to fill two large boxes were contributed.

Mrs. Hurst delightfully entertained the Ladie's Aid at the parsonage last Wednesday evening. It was the first meeting after the summer vacation, and a great many members and friends were present.

Every one was greatly shocked to hear of the death of Mrs. George Knight which occured last Thursday. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, and was very largely attended. Interment was made in the M. E. Cemetery. Mrs. Knight leaves a husband and one little girl.

Miss Ethel Mailly was tendered a surprise party by a number of friends last Thursday evening. All had a thoroughly enjoyable time. Those present were: Miss Vandergrift, Miss Van Dyke, Miss Creamer, Miss Temple, Miss Georgia Enos, Misses Martha and Mary Townsend, Dr. Lewis, Prof. Davis and George L. Townsend, Jr.

PORT PENN WAVES

Mr. E. T. Zachies made Pennsville a flying visit on Monday.

Mrs. Schrader, of New York, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Hance.

Miss Ida Jones started for Philadelphia on Monday to spend a week.

Capt. George W. Jones has returned from a visit to Salisbury, Md.

Mr. John Crawle,y of McDonough, made a pleasant call on Monday.

Mrs. M. Kumpel, Jr., of Middletown, spent Sunday with Mrs. A. Kumpel.

Mr. John Gam, proprietor of Augustine Park, spent Saturday in Wilmington.

Hon. Harry C. Ellison our senatorial candidate, called in the village on Tuesday.

Mr. Joseph Edwards, of Middletown, was in town for a few hours on Wednesday.

Miss Nellie Yearsley and friend, of Middletown, spent Sunday with her parents.

Go to Kumpel's for your fresh meats, groceries, dry goods, notions and provisions.

Miss Mary Stewart is visiting her nephew, Dr. David Stewart at New Castle.

Mrs. Alexander Moody, of Slaughter's, is spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. John Pratt.

Messrs. A. Vandegrift, Samuel Kershaw and O. W. Kershaw spent Saturday in Wilmington.

Candidate McDaniel paid a flying visit on Friday last, thanking his friends for their generous support.

Harry H. Hall, of Philadelphia, spent the night with the family of his uncle, Henry Cleaver last week.

Mrs. Wallen, Mrs. Cornelius Conrad and Miss Allie Conrad visited Wilmington on Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. Herbert Cannon and daughter Miss Lilly, of St. Georges, visited relatives here one day this week.

Several persons from the village attendedthe installation services at the Presbyterian Church in Delaware City last week.

Mr. John Craven, of Salem, N. J., owner of the "Dilworth Farm," has greatly improved the appearance of that place.

Mr. William Campbell, of Wilmington, superintendent of the building of the new road over "Silver Run," is a frequent visitor here.

Mr. Walter Gray made his brother Leslie, who is very ill of typhoid fever in Philadelphia, a visit this week. His condition at this time is unchanged.

Mrs. Isaac W. Conrad and daughter May, Misses Zora Zachies and Daisy Trassley and Mrs. Russell Eaton enjoyed a trolley ride to Wilmington one day this week.

Mrs. L. M. Brooks has renewed the weather boarding on the front of the hotel, made considerable repairs to the front porch and is now treating the new building to a fresh coat of paint of a tasteful shade, adding much to the appearance of it.

Raliy Day was observed in the Presbyterian Sunday school on Sunday, October 14th, and although the weather was very unfavorable, it was a success. Much time had been spent in preparing the music and other exercises, and the primary department had been training for two weeks previous. The boys took part were: Casper Denny, James Carpenter, Eddie Johnson, Allen Evans, Harry and Charlie Hickman. The music by the choir and school was well rendered. Rev. J. Willis preached a sermon to the children from the text: "He Giveth Snow Like Wool." The superintendent, J. B. Vandegrift, made a good address on Rally Day. The children listened attentively to both sermon and address. The church was prettily decorated with flowers and potted plants.

The TRANSCRIPT until January 1st, 25c.

CURRENT PRICES.

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY JOHN W. JOLLS.

Wheat—No. 1	.70	Corn—	
No. 2	.69	Yellow, shelled	43
Timothy Seed $1.80		" cob	35
Clover Seed lb	11c	Oats	30

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE.

Eggs, per doz	18@20
Country Butter, per lb	26
Creamery Butter, per lb	29
Lard, per lb	8@10
Live Chickens, per lb	8@12
Ducks, Dressed, per lb	10@12
Potatoes, per basket	30@35

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Thursday, 11th, 11 am,	Friday,	12th, 7½ pm
Monday, 15th, 1½ pm.	Tuesday,	16th, 12 m
Thursday, 18th, 4 pm.	Friday,	19th, 1½ pm
Monday, 22d, 7 pm.	Tuesday,	23d, 4½ pm
Thursday, 25th, 11 am.	Friday,	26th, 6 pm
Monday, 29th, 12 m.	Tuesday,	30th, 11 am

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REGISTER'S OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL.
April 25th, 1900.

Upon the application of Christopher J. Vandegrift, Executor of Lydia Smith, late of St. George's Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Executor aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters Testamentary upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also to cause the same to be inserted with this order in the Middletown Transcript, a newspaper published at Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register aforesaid, at Wilmington in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

SEAL

CALVIN W. CROSSAN, Register.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the twenty-fifth day of April A. D. 1900, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the said Executor, on or before the twenty-fifth day of April, 1901, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

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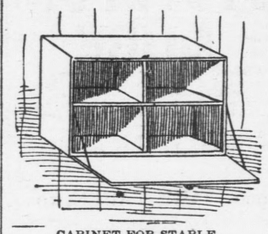


CABINET FOR STABLE.

it fastened or rest about five feet from the floor. If screwed to the side of the barn, the open top will become the side. Put in shelves, compartments, straps, as tool holders, etc. To close the box, a drop-leaf side is put on by hinging at the bottom and fastening supporting straps from the upper corner of the box to the outer corner of the leaf. This will make a table before the closet when open. If this is not desired, put a screw eye in each upper corner, connect with a wire and hang over the wire a thick cloth for a cover.—J. L. Irwin, in Farm and Home.

FOOD AFFECTS WOOL.

Why It Is Important to Provide Sheep with Proper Nourishment the Year Around.

A bulletin of the Michigan station says: The strength of the weakest place in the fiber decides the strength of the whole fiber. So far as the writer has been able to discover there is no special ration, which, if fed to sheep, will produce wool of great strength, nor can we, at any time, say that any special ration is to be recommended to produce a large quantity of wool. It has often been observed that sheep and lambs that have been on full feed for long periods shear heavy fleeces of wool. This would indicate that any ration calculated to keep the sheep in a thrifty condition would be a suitable one for growing large quantities of wool. From what we have said above, the wool grower will understand that it is highly desirable to provide the sheep proper nourishment throughout the year, permitting no periods of neglect to intervene to destroy the strength of the fibers of the fleece. Liberal and judicious feeding does not change the quality of the wool, but it does affect the strength and the quantity of the wool produced by a given sheep. The weight of wool produced is affected both by increasing the length of fiber and by increasing the amount of yolk and natural oil in the fleece.

HINTS ABOUT HORSES.

How to Keep Working and Breeding Animals in a Healthy and Prosperous Condition.

Average bill of fare for the work horse: Eight ears of corn, a bundle of oats and a little hay for morning ration; ten ears of corn, two sheaves of oats and plenty of hay for dinner, and practically the same for supper. At night work horses will do well if given access to a good blue grass pasture. Some green feed is highly essential.

Don't assume that after a few months' work the young horse should know as much about it as the old one; be considerate, kind and gentle with the former and gradually acquaint him with his duties, not by using the bludgeon, but by intelligent persuasion, always remembering that the animal has only an animal's intelligence.

Keep the mares for your own use; breed them and sell the colts. The mares make good work animals, but should not be in service after seven months' gestation nor for several weeks after delivery. Feed them lavishly—they require it, having their own bodies to keep up as well as those of the colts.—Farmers' Voice.

PIG-PEN POINTERS.

Where whey can be obtained in a sweet state it is valuable as a hog food.

Salt is a very important part of the hogs' ration, except when mangelwurzels are fed.

Skim milk makes hard bones in hogs, as has been proved at the experiment stations.

Skim milk will always prove a valuable food for young pigs, as it is rich in the proteins they need.

A big supply of long straw is a bad thing for the sow at farrowing time; it may prove the death of many pigs.

Experiments in feeding silage to hogs have not resulted satisfactorily, the cost of making pork thereby being increased.—Farmers' Review.

Serum for Texas Fever.

A discovery of much interest to those who lose thousands yearly, owing to the cattle pest, has been communicated to the Academy of Medicine by M. Lienniere, one of the leading scientists on veterinary subjects, says a Paris report. He claims to be able to protect animals from Texas fever, the worst form of parasite, by producing the disease in serum from animals which have been previously attacked, thus attenuating its virulence and in furnishing a vaccine virus with which to inoculate and protect cattle from the disease.

A Song for Autumn.

Let Old Age come with frosty hair,
Bent form and wrinkled face,
And that which once was strong and fair
Be shorn of strength and grace;
And, though, no longer thou shalt know
The wealth May can impart,
And dark November's cold winds blow—
Keep Springtime in thy heart!

Though the dear days may no more be,
Which once such beauty wore,
And Youth, with all its ecstacy,
Be gone forevermore;
Though drear November's bleak winds blow,
And sweet May dwell apart,
No more to gladden, do this—oh,
Keep Springtime in thy heart!

STRAW ON THE FARM.

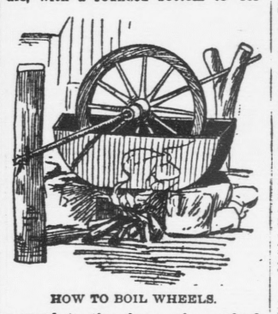
It Has Many Uses and the Man Who Wastes It Does Not Understand His Business.

One of the greatest wastes about the average farm, especially in the great grain districts of the west, is in the straw. Where headers are used and the straw left to turn under with the plowing, some of the substance taken from the soil by the growing grain is returned to it, but this is a waste as there is not got out of the straw the best there is in it. This method, however, is far better than another which, strange to say, is quite general. This is piling the straw in some slough or out of the way nook and leaving it to rot down and be carried away by the elements. Probably the most value straw possesses is as a roughness in feeding cattle. If properly put up and fed, oat, wheat and flax straw is a valuable addition to the rations of cattle of all kinds. The reason cattle usually refuse to touch straw is because it is spoiled or musty. As much care should be taken in stacking straw as in stacking hay. Usually the stacking is done with a view of getting the straw out of the way of the machine rather than with any thought as to its turning the rain. The stack is nothing more than a huge pile of straw thrown together by three or four boys hired to take the dirtiest and most disagreeable job around the threshing machine. The sides and top of such a pile will become soaked with the first rains and before the winter is well on will be unfit for feed. There are other uses than feeding that straw can be put to with profit. It makes the best kind of mulching for strawberry beds, potato fields, etc., adding richness to the soil and preventing the growth of weeds. In putting up hay sheds and windbreaks it is the best of material to use, as it packs closely, keeping out wind and turning rain. Even when rotted in the stack, hauled out and scattered over the fields it still possesses a value as a fertilizer. Do not let the straw go to waste.—Prairie Farmer.

BOILING WAGON WHEELS.

Hot Oil Bath Once a Season Will Preserve the Felloes and Keep the Tire Tight.

Nothing will preserve a wheel with wooden felloes, and keep the tire tight, as will treating them to a hot oil bath once in a season. Get a tinner to make you a pan about four inches wide and six deep in the middle, with a rounded bottom to cor-



HOW TO BOIL WHEELS.

respond to the shape of a wheel, shown in cut. Set it in an improvised fireplace and pour in the oil. When it is hot put in the wheel and turn slowly, holding in position by means of a stick thrust through the hub. A frame can be put up easily, or crotches set, to hold this stick. In this way two men can do the work quickly and well.—J. L. Irwin, in Ohio Farmer.

PIGS RELISH ROOTS.

They Form Desirable Additions to Winter Rations and Promote Health and Growth.

All farm animals relish succulent foods, and different forms of vegetable roots have long been fed more or less to sheep and cattle as desirable additions to dry winter rations. Pigs, however, in winter have usually had to be content with grain or mill feed and water, or, perhaps, skim milk. Succulent food has not been thought of for them, excepting in a few cases. Some experiments on the suitability of silage as pig feed have been conducted, but with most unsatisfactory returns. It was not found to be desirable pig food. Roots, however, offer a more appetizing substance for pigs, and here and there is found a farmer who has fed sugar beets or artichokes to swine with results that have called forth his approval. Mangelwurzels furnish the farmer with a large amount of succulent winter food in the form of roots. Very great yields have been reported by various cultivators, wherein it has been shown that the cost per ton for production is comparatively light. In 1898, at this station, as high as 25¼ tons of mangels were produced per acre, at a cost of only 85 cents per ton harvested.—C. S. Plumb, Indiana Experiment Station.

FEED-GRINDING NOTES.

The gasoline engine solves the problem of quick and efficient power for rapid grinding.

With feed grinding, like many other operations, where it is done on a large scale, it pays, and besides the cost is reduced to a minimum.

To secure the best results the feeder should have a mill at hand, with which he can grind his feed as needed, and prepare it to suit the requirements of his special line of feeding.

A sweep mill that will grind from 40 to 50 bushels of dry corn and cob-meal per hour, is a pretty good mill.

Grain is valuable as food only when digested and assimilated, and to be valuable for digestion must be crushed, ground and pulverized either before feeding or by the animal itself.

The successful cattle feeder, the one who always tops the market, is the one who can convert the largest amount of crude feed into high-priced beef. Grinding feed is a great aid in laying on fat.—Prairie Farmer.

Burning Out Old Stumps.

The easiest way to get rid of stumps in field or meadow is to burn them out. Dig a trench around the stumps about two feet wide and two and one-half or three feet deep, cut off all projecting roots quite close and remove the soil as well as possible. Then leave the stump for a few days to dry. Gather up a lot of dry sticks, brush, etc., and fill up the trench all around and on top of the stump and set it on fire. The stump will be consumed in a day or two. Even green stumps may be burned out in this way, although it may require a second or third supply of dry sticks on the fire to accomplish it.—L. O. Follo, in American Agriculturist.

Mary Mannering in the Role of "Janice Meredith"

She Scores a Success in Paul Leicester Ford's Charming Story

NOW the dramatic season is with us again, and with us again the dramatized novel. If all the dramatized novels were equal to the one under consideration in this article we should have no quarrel with them; we affirm we would welcome them back as gladly as we do our old friends of the stage from their summerings on mountain side and seashore, at ranch and country place. But few indeed are the novels that, not only for stage purposes but for other qualities, and those sterling qualities, can compare with Janice Meredith.

America has gone wild over it, and no wonder, either. One realizes as one reads it that America has a history to be proud of, though it date back not many hundred years; one seems to become acquaint for the first time with "the true George Washington;" one is able to sympathize with both whig and tory, to appreciate the difficulties of the times; one looks on at the English balls and routs in Philadelphia, the best houses in town, Benjamin Franklin's among them, occupied and enjoyed by the enemy; while, just without, Washington's men are trying to weather the winter with bare feet, rags and empty stomachs. One sees the road along the Delaware marked by the bloody footprints of the ill-shod Continentals, the "rag-tails" as the red coats called them. One feels the horrors of war, one's blood tingles at thought of the indomitable

persistence and courage of the fathers of American liberty.

The dramatic qualities of Janice Meredith made it peculiarly capable of adaptation for the stage, and Miss Mannering, the beautiful young actress who stars this season in "Janice Meredith," will, without doubt, win new triumphs by her portrayal of the colonial maid of '76.

The story opens with a dialogue between two mischievous misses seated on the floor in their bed chamber, surreptitiously reading a story book, "Alonzo and Amaryllis;" these two misses being respectively Janice Meredith and Tabitha Drinker, a cousin. The Meredith household represents to us a picture of the life and manners of the time; Squire Lambert Meredith is the usual squire, choleric and genial, lusty, trusty, fond of his glass and his dog, fond also of his importance as landed proprietor of 30,000 acres, and bent on making his importance felt; Mrs. Meredith is a straight-laced Presbyterian, stern, unbending, almost a fanatic. Janice who could describe? Willful, lovable; girlish and capricious, but with womanliness not far below the surface; of beauty so pronounced as to win homage from whig and tory, soldier and spy, officer and servant, captor and captured. At 15 she is considered of marriageable age, and her parents use their influence to betroth her to Philamon Hannion, a country lout, though the son of the only other squire in the neighborhood. But many men and many events interpose to prevent the consummation of the betrothal.

The second chapter is given over to the arrival and disposal of a band of bond servants, those indentured servants brought over to do the rough toil for the landlords. One of the band goes to Greenwood, the Meredith estate. He is surly and hot-tempered, unkempt and ill-clad, but when off his guard shows he has been used to better things. He is called by the name of Charles Fownes.

Janice and Tabitha wonder about him and watch him, and one day discover he has in his possession the miniature of a very beautiful woman, which miniature is framed with dazzling brilliants. The case is later given to Janice by the bondman, who had placed in it her own miniature, painted by herself.

She is half afraid, much interested in him, a dangerous condition for a proud maid, but will not consider an entanglement with a bondservant. In a moment of anger he tells her her family and pedigree are nothing compared with his, that his great-grandfather was a king.

But war, as well as love, is in the air, and the bondservant, refused by his master the purchase of his freedom, spends his leisure drilling the militia on the village green, and at last runs away, obtains an interview at headquarters with Washington, conveys to him news of much importance, and is made an aid to the commander. He is with Washington when New York is abandoned, when the army met defeat after defeat, when hundred after hundred of men desert, when officers and members of congress work for the chief's fall and failure; with him that snowy Christmas night he gets his 2,400 men across the Delaware and marches them nine miles to Trenton; with him the terrible winter of Valley Forge; with him in repeated defeats and discouragements, but also with him when success is won at Yorktown.

The characters, as well as the events, in "Janice Meredith" stand out strongly. Lambert Meredith, the squire, we have spoken of. Charles Fownes, the bond servant, later Col. Brereton, Washington's aid, and later revealed Charles Lee, the illegitimate son of the English general, Howe, holds our interest from the first; a good soldier, a good lover. Mrs. Meredith becomes, by experience of the fortunes of war, less rigid, more tender, but all through a person of backbone. We watch the gymnastics of Joe Bagby and Esquire Hannion, the rival turncoats, with mingled scorn and amusement, and are glad Mr. Ford, the author, sees they receive their just deserts. Poor, cloutish Phil develops in the strenuous years of his military career into quite a man, and we are a bit sorry there are not two Janice Merediths, so he and Brereton may each have one. For, of course, you know in the end Brereton marries Janice.

As the story goes on one begins to think Janice's beauty a curse, for it brings her and "dadda" and "mommy" much trouble. The villain, Lord Clowes, engages in all sorts of machinations to win her, as does also Joe Bagby. Sir Frederic Mowbray offers her his hand and heart and dies with her miniature close clasped to his breast. Phil serves her faithfully for years, and then loses her. John Brereton risks life and honor for her, and receives severe punishment in the loss of Washington's friendship and favor. In vulgar parlance, Janice gets any number of people into a peck of trouble.

THE ASTROLOGER.

He Means Business.

Now, here is a poet who is practical enough. He hails from Dooly county, and it will be seen from his letter that he means business. He writes:

"I have wrote a poem about 100 yards long—as nigh as I kin guess. It took me six months an' two hours to write it. I ain't no judge o' these things, an' what I want to know is where I kin hire a good man to read it for me an' tell me what it is. To sich a man I will pay one dollar a day till he gets through; only he mustn't take too long."—Atlanta Constitution.

R-R-Revenge.

Doctor—I know cod-liver oil tastes pretty bad at first but you will get used to it in time and get to like it.

Patient—Get to like it? Well, if ever I do I'll punish a lot of it just to get even.—Puck.

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MILK FROM SILO FED COWS.

Agricultural Department of Illinois University Finds It Is Good.

The attaches of the Illinois State Agricultural college think they have settled the controversy which sprung up between certain buyers of milk and the men who produced it, the former refusing to buy the milk of cows fed on silage.

The college has just announced the result of a series of tests concerning this matter. Samples of milk taken from the cows on the agricultural farm were sent first to a dozen different professors of the college, then to a number of students and later on to a number of women and finally to several milk experts. In addition, the samples were sent to hotels in Chicago and Springfield. In each case both silage and nonsilage milk was sent, and in no case was the object of the undertaking disclosed. In each case a person was asked which sample was preferred and whether there were any objections to the milk of a certain designation, but which was the silage product.

The result of this test, which covered several weeks, was that 118 tests favored the silage milk, 65 the nonsilage and 37 had no choice. To 360 samples of silage milk there were no objections. The tests were double in character, milk from cows being taken both before and after feeding the silage.

Professor W. J. Fraser, under whose direction the tests were made, says that there can be no reasonable objection to silage as a feed if the feeding is properly done. This is considered a very important matter, as a vast amount of money has within the last few years been spent by farmers in building silos.

The condenser people claim that milk from cows fed on silage takes on an undesirable taste. This the professors claim comes from decayed silage. When the milk is exposed to its odor and if care is taken not to permit any feed of the kind to reach the barn, there will be no trouble.

Some Foreign Cheeses.

It has been proved that the quality of cheese depends on the pasturage, says the New York World. Cows, dairy maids and special methods of making have been taken from Cheshire to another part of England, and the result was a product very different from the famous Cheshire cheese.

Cheddar, too, which comes from a vale in Somerset, has a flavor for which there is no chemical counterfeit. It smacks of the soil; it breathes of the pasture.

Brie comes from a small district near Paris and is a cream cheese of unrivaled delicacy, but not easy to keep during warm weather.

Camembert, a cheese very similar, though coarser in flavor, which is made in a large area in Normandie, has been steadily pushing into favor.

Pont l'Eveque comes from Normandie. It is not, as some might suppose, merely a Camembert gone dry, but is intentionally made more solid and milder in taste and is 10 per cent more costly.

Port du Salut is another cheese of the same order, but superior in flavor to all except true Brie. It costs about the same as Brie, and it may take rank over that, as that has done over Roquefort, and as Roquefort did over Swiss, which was the first foreign cheese that ever really had a hold on the affections of the American stomach.

Roquefort, though its price yet is high, is a richer cheese, more fond of lingering on the breath than the others. It is made of goats' milk, and the chiaroscuro effects in it are caused not by rusting it with insertions of wire, but by dropping into it some handfuls of peasant bread.

Gorgonzola, not French, but Italian, is more expensive than Roquefort, though its base is the same—namely, the milk of the goat. This cheese comes from the Milanese district of Italy, retains its aristocratic richness unspoiled by the democratic climate of America and is a good cheese to swear by.

Parmesan, another Italian or Sicilian variety, has been kept 150 years and found still delicious and full of life and power.

Neufchatel is a French cheese, not a Swiss, as many fancy from the name

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On and ... May 28, 1900, trains will leave M... own as follows:

SOUTHWARD.

	MAIL. A. M.	EXP. A. M.	PAS. P. M.	MAIL P. M.	MAIL P. M	EXP P. M
Philadelp...	25	10.20	$2.20	$3.46	35:55	11 28
Baltimore	00	9.15	1 18	1.46	4:57	7 53
Wilmingt...	33	11.06	3.03	4.27	6:58	12 11
Farnhurst	22		f 3 12		7.07	
New Cast...	38		3.17	4.39	7.12	
State Roa...	44		f 3 22		7.17	
Bear . . .	49		f 3.27	f 4.48	7.22	
Porter . .	57		f 3.32	4.52	7.28	
Kirkwood	02		f 3.37		7.33	
Mt. Pleasa...	08		f 3.44		7.41	
Armstron...	12		f 3.49		7.45	
Middleto...	20	11.50	3.54	5 3	7.51	12.54
Townsend...	28		4.01	5 7	7.59	
Blackbird	34		f 4.11		f 8.04	
Gr'n Spri...	41		f 4.17		f8.11	
Clayton .	48	12.07	4.22	5.41	8.16	1 12
Smyrna .	54	11.57	4.12	5 25	8.06	
Brenford	59		f 4.27		f8.21	
Cheswold	04		f 4.32		f8.27	
Dupont .	08		f 4.35			
Dover . . .	9.55	12.29	4.42	5.59	8.37	1 34
Wyoming	10.05	f12.29	4 48	6.05	8.43	a 1 39
Woodside.	f10 11			f 6.11	f8.49	
Viola . . .	f10.15			f 6.15	f8.53	
Felton . .	10 20	f12.40		6.20	8.58	f 1.54
Harringto...	10 34	12.53		6 33	9.11	2.15
Georgetown	11.34					
Berlin.	12.23					
Ocean City (B C & A Ry	12.45					
Farmington	f10 42			f 6.41	f9.18	
Greenwoo...	f10.50	f 1 08		f 6.49	f9.26	
Bridgeville.	10.58	f 1.16		6 57	9.34	a 2.29
Cannons . .	f11 08			f 7 02	f9.39	
Seaford . .	11 13	1.27		7 11	9 48	2..1
Laurel . .	11.23	f 1.37		7.21	9 58	a 2.43
Delmar . .	11.33	1.46		7.30	10 08	3.05

NORTHWARD

	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. P. M.	PAS. P. M.
Delmar . . .	11.38		f7.05	f8.00	f2.15	33.36
Laurel . . .	f 1.21		7.16	8.10	2.25	3 41
Seaford . .	1.34		7.28	8 24	2.35	3.56
Cannons . .			f 7.36	f 8.31		f4.04
Bridgeville.	f 1.48		7.42	8 37	f 2.46	4.11
Greenwood.			f7.50	f 8.45	f 2.54	f 4.19
Farmington			f 7.58	f 8.53		f 4.27
Ocean City (B C & A Ry				6 46		2.17
Berlin. .				7 42		2.37
Georgetown				8 10		3.37
Harrington.	2.33			8.10	9 06	5.0	4.41
Felton . . .	f 2.38			8.19	9.16	f8.1	4.5
Viola				f8.23	f 9 20		4.56
Woodside. .				f8.27	f 9 24		f 5 00
Wyoming. .	p2.46	46.57		8.34	9 31	3 30	5.08
Dover . . .	2.52	7.03		8.40	9 38	3 36	5.15
Dupont. .		f7 08					
Cheswold .		f7.13			f 9 49		f 5.25
Brenford .		f7.18			f 9.54		f 5.30
Smyrna. .LV		7.15		8.43	9 51	3.41	5.35
Clayton . .	3.09	7.25		8 48	10 01	3.54	5.35
Gr'n Spring.		f7.29					f 5.42
Blackbird. .		f7.35			f10.09		f 5.48
Townsend .		7.40		9 11	10 14	4 07	5.51
Middletown	3.30	7.50		9 20	10.23	4.16	6.02
Armstrong .		f7.54					f 6.06
Mt. Pleasant		7.58			f10 31		6.13
Kirkwood .		8.08			10.40		6.23
Porter . . .		8.15		9 40	10.46	4.34	6.29
Bear		f8.22			f10.51		f 6.34
State Road .		f8.25			f10.56		f 6.39
New Castle .		8.31			11.01		6.39
Farnhurst. .		f8.36			f11.06		f 6.41
Wilmington .	4.15	8.45			11.15	4.59	6.52
Baltimore	6.22	10.34				7.10	8.45
Philadelphia	5.10	9.32			12.06	5.43	7.42

‖ Daily. ‖ Daily except Sunday.

"A" Stops to leave passengers from Wilmington and points north, or take passengers for points south of Delmar.

"f" Stops only on notice to conductor or agent or on signal.

"p" Stops to leave passengers from Middletown and points south.

"g" Stops to leave passengers from points south of Delmar, or take passengers for Wyoming and points north.

NEW CASTLE ACCOMMODATION TRAINS—Leave Wilmington 8.18 a. m., 3.03, 4.27 and 6.58 p. m. week days. Leave New Castle 8.41, 9.55, 11.. a. m., 6.39 p. m. week days.

Express trains leaving Harrington 8.10 a. m. and arriving at 6.3 p. m., week days, run through solid to and from Baltimore via Porter and Newark.

BRANCH ROADS.

DELAWARE, MARYLAND & VIRGINIA R. R.—Leave Harrington for Franklin City and way stations 10.38 a. m. 6.37 p. m. week days. Returning train leaves Franklin City 6.00 a. m. and 1.37 p. m. week days.

Leave Franklin City for Chincoteague (via steamer) 1.37 p. m. week days. Returning, leave Chincoteague 7.52 a. m., week-days.

Leave Harrington for Georgetown, Lewes and Rehoboth at 10.38 a. m., 6.37 p. m. week-days. Returning leave Rehoboth 6.3 a. m. and 2.51 p. m. week-days.

Leave Harrington for Berlin, 10.38 a. m. and 6.37 p. m. week days. Returning, leave Berlin 5.56 a. m and 2.33 p. m. week days.

QUEEN ANNE & KENT —Leave Townsend for Centreville and way stations 9.23 a. m. and 5.31 p. m., week days. Returning leave Centreville 7.51 a. m. and 2.. p. m., week-days.

DELAWARE & CHESA... R. R.—Leave Clayton for Oxford and way stations 9.38 a. m. and 5.45 p. m., week days. Returning, leave Oxford 7.00 a. m., and 1.56 p. m. week-days.

CAMBRIDGE & SEAF... R.—Leave Seaford for Cambridge and intermediate stations 11.17 a. m. and 7.15 p. m. week days. Returning leave Cambridge 7.00 a. m., and 4.. p. m. week-days.

CONNECTIONS—At P... with Newark and Delaware City Railroad. Townsend, with Queen Anne's & Kent Railroad. Clayton with Delaware & C... Railroad and Baltimore & Delaware... Railroad. At Harrington, with Delaware & Maryland & Virginia Railroad. At Seaford, with Cambridge & Seaford Railroad. At Delmar, with New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk, Wi... & Pocomoke, and Peninsula Railroads.

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